

# MINUTES OF MEETING LANGTREE PARISH COUNCIL

14<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2019

<b>Present</b>	Councillors: Jenny Coles James French Mark Glover Chairman David Ley Pat Mitchell Franklin Tucker David Hurley (TDC) Andrew Saywell (DCC)
<b>In attendance</b>	Leigh Pollinger – Parish Clerk  1 member of the public.
<b>133</b>	<b>WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>  Apologies received from Terry Attridge, Geoff Bond, Colin Edworthy, PCSO Melissa Baker
133.1	Demonstration of potential grass mowing equipment for the recreation field by Andrew Symons Ltd <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Two machines were shown, it was agreed that the wider cut (48inch) was the better machine but it was thought that if we could afford a machine with an even wider cut then this would be preferable as it will reduce the time needed to cut the whole area.</li></ul>
<b>134</b>	<b>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</b>
134.1	Matters Arising <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Item 124.1 tree planting of WW1 memorial  It was agreed that the fencing along the east side of the pitch should be installed first. The final location of the fencing and the trees will be agreed at an on site meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> February.  James French agreed to contact interested parties who may wish to be involved in the planting.</li><li>Item 124.1 update on fire escape at the back of 15A Fore Street  Jason London has marked out area that he is interested in purchasing. It was agreed that the total piece being a square around the stairs and triangular section to the west will be offered. The original price offered is £1000, agreed that the</li></ul>

	<p>counter offer price will be £2500 plus all parish council costs. Parish Clerk to contact Jason London.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Item 124.1 The large shrubs in the Millenium Garden need cutting back.</li> </ul> <p>Jo Wilson Duffy has visited site and agreed to do the work. The shrub is a hebe and the right time to do the work is April. Jo is booked in to do the work then.</p>
134.2	<p>Minutes of meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019 to be agreed and signed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes agreed without change, proposed Jenny Coles seconded by Frankin Tucker.</li> </ul>
<b>135</b>	<b>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS</b>
<b>136</b>	<b>REPORTS</b>
136.1	<p>Police Community Support Officer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No report this month</li> </ul>
136.2	<p>County Councillor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The road from Stibb Cross to Powlers Piece will be patched during the summer 2019 with surface dressing planned for the summer of 2020.</li> <li>The A361 road improvements have been approved by planning.</li> <li>Reemphasised that potholes should be reported on DCC Highways website.</li> <li>Devon County Council budget will result in council tax uplift of 3.99% in the next financial year.</li> </ul>
136.3	<p>District Councillor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>David Hurley ran through potential tax increases from TDC, Fire, Police and Parish Councils for 2019 / 2020.</li> <li>Geoffrey Cox MP will be holding an open meeting regarding future of Shebbear GP surgery.</li> <li>Recycling in the TDC area is increasing towards targets.</li> <li>Further meetings regarding future of Appledore shipyard is underway.</li> <li>The Council were reminded that we will be entering a period of purda prior to the local elections on 2<sup>nd</sup> May.</li> </ul>
<b>137</b>	<b>PARISH MATTERS</b>
137.1	<p>To receive an update on progress of Langtree Meadows building works</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The current status of the Affordable Houses are that 4 have been sold with 1 still available.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There appears to be issues with the Section 106 and boundary plans on the furthest east boundary of the affordable houses.</li> </ul>								
137.2	<p>To receive an update regarding on-going maintenance of the recreation field.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See note 133.1 above. Alternative mowers and prices are being sought.</li> <li>• Grants towards the mower and equipment have been requested from Dave Hurley £500, Andrew Saywell £500, and Invest in Devon £500. The chairman thanked the District and County Councillors for their support.</li> </ul>								
<b>138</b>	<b>PLANNING</b>								
138.1	<p>To consider any planning applications received between issuing of agenda and meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None received</li> </ul>								
<b>139</b>	<b>CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE</b>								
139.1	<p>To receive update on financial position at end January 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bank balances at end of January 2019</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="528 1048 1385 1350"> <tr> <td>Lloyds Bank balance at 31/01/19</td> <td>£9765.11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lloyds Number 2 account at 31/01/19</td> <td>£0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nationwide balance at 31/01/19</td> <td>£3062.79</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>£12827.90</td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Payments during month totalled £2886.00 to Dainton Storage for container.</li> <li>• Receipts during month were £2823.27 from DAA towards landing light and £2405.00 from Grantscape towards container purchase.</li> <li>• Monies previously in No 2 account and ring fenced for DAA expenditure have been transferred to no 1 account.</li> <li>• Plan to apply for VAT reclaim at end of month c. £1700</li> </ul>	Lloyds Bank balance at 31/01/19	£9765.11	Lloyds Number 2 account at 31/01/19	£0	Nationwide balance at 31/01/19	£3062.79	Total	£12827.90
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139.2	<p>To request approval for BACS Payments and cheques</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Payment of £6626.45 to MAT Electrics for DAA electrical works</li> <li>• Payment of £135.90 to L Pollinger to cover Travis Perkins costs incurred by Pat Mitchell for work in Changing Room</li> <li>• Above outgoings will reduce No 1 account to £3002.76 and total to £6065.</li> <li>• Parish Clerk gave an update of current thinking regarding grant applications. The potential MUGA grant application will be</li> </ul>								

	<p>raised after pricing details are available (being obtained by Parish Hall committee). The repairs required to the Beech Road play area (c. £10k) will be subject to a grant application to Community Recycling. Andrew Saywell agreed to support this application from his 2019/20 allocation with £1200.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was suggested that at a future meeting residents of Beech Road should be invited to discuss this play area.</li> </ul>
139.3	<p>To review correspondence received</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None received</li> </ul>
139.4	<p>To consider whether the council will award section 137 grants this year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Usually 8 applications – suggested £50 each but only payable at the end of March early April when sufficient cash is available. Parish Clerk to follow up.</li> </ul>
<b>140</b>	<p><b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A question was raised about future maintenance and responsibilities of the football pitch. A decision will be made on this in due course.</li> </ul>
<b>141</b>	<p><b>ANY OTHER ITEMS AT CHAIRMAN’S DISCRETION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was commented that increasing numbers of HGV’s are coming through the village rather than using the wider roads through Frithelstock.</li> <li>• Franklin Tucker reported that an agronomist had reviewed the soils of the football pitch. The level of topsoil is the issue with a lack of worms, this will recover when mowing of the grass commences and grass clippings are left on the ground as a form of mulch.</li> <li>• Timing of street lights in Beech Road was asked to be reviewed but this is a DCC responsibility.</li> </ul>
<b>142</b>	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>The next meeting will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019.</p>